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FOR: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR MELTING AND REFINING MATERIALS CAPABLE

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF MISSING REQUIREMENT UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371

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SIR:

Responsive to the notification dated 12 November 1999, and in accordance with the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 371, Applicants submit herewith a Rule 63 Declaration.

The required fee was paid at the time of filing the application.

In light of the foregoing, this application is deemed to be in proper condition for examination and such favorable action is earnestly solicited.

Our check in the amount of \$870.00 is attached hereto. If any variance exists between the amount enclosed, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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